

جمعية الهلال الاحمر الفلسطيني غرفة العمليات المركزبة

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Palestine Red Crescent Society teams are still responding to the developments on the ground in the Gaza Strip, the West Bank, where PRCS operations are carried out 24\7, for the **85** day in a row.

Recent Developments

Gaza Strip:

Disclaimer: The information in this report is limited, and only represents the available data which PRCS teams could gather directly or from various credible information sources. This limitation is due to communication disruptions and extreme difficulties in accessing information sources.

- 2 PRCS EMS centers in Gaza and Northern Gaza have been put out of service ceasing to provide any services including emergency response and rescue upon running out of fuel along with the Israeli occupying forces restrictions of access of the working medical teams. Moreover, Hospitals in the governorate are put of service as well and it is impossible to conduct any humanitarian evacuation.
- Well over **900,000** children in the shelters are at risk of dehydration, starvation, digestive and respiratory diseases, skin diseases, and anemia.
- Well over **50,000** pregnant women in the shelters are without water, food, and healthcare, with about **180** women giving birth daily in unsafe and inhumane conditions.
- The healthcare system in the southern areas of Gaza is continuously deteriorating, while the northern areas of Gaza are
 completely deprived of any healthcare services, especially after the Israeli Occupation forces forced the Red Crescent
 Society EMS teams to evacuate out of the Northern Governorate thus obliging them to cease their medical operations
 there.
- According to live testimonies of Palestinian survivors from the northern governorates of Gaza who reported that the
 Israeli occupation forces committed mass executions and burials of Palestinian civilians in the Gaza and Northern
 governorates. Civilians were placed in ditches, executed, and mass buried in the same ditches.
- Hundreds of pleas continue to come through various communication means of Palestine Red Crescent Society from
 citizens to intervene and evacuate them from different areas in the Gaza Strip where the army of the Israeli occupation
 is present and deemed Israeli military operation zones. The occupation forces deliberately prevent our teams from
 intervening in those areas and our teams are subjected to targeted killing.
- All hospitals in Gaza and North Gaza provinces ceased operations due to the Israeli Occupation forces directly targeting
 and besieging the facilities. This includes preventing access for injured individuals and forcing medical teams to relocate
 southwards. Hospitals, medical staff, and displaced people within are directly targeted by the Israeli Occupation forces,
 leading to a severe health crisis.
- Hospitals in South Gaza are utilized beyond their capacity and unable to keep up with the massive number of injured persons, many of whom are at risk of losing their lives due to the escalation of Israeli aggression against civilians.



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- Al-Amal Hospital in Khan Younis continues to face a severe fuel crisis, leading to downsizing utilization of the capacity
 of the facility to a bare minimum and operating according to a scheduled timetable. This significantly affects services for
 displaced people and patients, including ambulance and emergency medical services.
- Israeli Occupation forces continue intense airstrikes throughout Gaza, targeting industrial, residential, and commercial structures, as well as religious sites and main roads. This has resulted in numerous casualties, predominantly children and women, and complete infrastructure destruction, forcing citizen displacement.
- Israeli Occupation forces continue their incursions in strategic areas of Gaza and North Gaza, isolating them from southern provinces, and targeting any movement in these isolated areas. They have partially separated the regions by closing Salah al-Din Street, while allowing only a civilian passage through a mandatory route on Al-Rasheed Street.
- Medical and relief teams services are severely challenged due to the current status quo, the separation of Gaza and North Gaza, whereas Israeli occupation forces prohibit access to ambulances and EMS teams in areas of the Israeli military incursion and further shoots any moving target.
- The Israeli occupation forces continue to detain 8 members of the PRCS teams in the Northern Governorate of Gaza (paramedics and volunteers). This detention marks the 10th consecutive day. Noting the detainees were apprehended at the PRCS's headquarters and taken to an undisclosed location, with their fate, current status, and whereabouts still unknown at this moment.
- The Israeli occupation forces continue the arbitrary detention of Awni Khattab, Director of the Khan Younis EMS, a PRCS facility, for the 39th day in a row. It is noteworthy to mention that he was illegally apprehended at the checkpoint separating Northern and Southern Gaza while transferring a critical medical convoy of injured civilians from Al Shifa hospital to then operating Hospitals in the southern of Gaza.
- The Ministry of Health has confirmed the scope of the Israeli Occupation forces operations continued to include targeting civilian individuals and public hospitals and facilities. The following statistics are compiled from various official sources:

312 martyrs EMS teams	40 martyrs from the Civil	141 health institutions	23 hospitals and 53 health
	Defense rescue teams	targeted	centers were put out of service
104 ambulances targeted	59 ambulances completely-	101 medical staff	106 martyrs: journalists and
	destroyed and put out of service	members detained	media anchors
285 educational institutions	92 educational institutions put	117 mosques	208 mosques partially-
targeted	out of service	completely-destroyed	destroyed
3 churches targeted	7780 persons missing under the rubble, including 4700 children		10 journalists detained
	and women		

• The Ministry of Health has also made urgent calls to facilitate the medical referrals and travel arrangements of over 5000 wounded persons to receive treatment abroad due to the lack of medical facilities and the severe shortage of medical supplies in the Gaza Strip.

West Bank:

The response of the Palestine Red Crescent Society to incidents is documented as follows:

• The central operations room at PRCS headquarters receives several appeals and reports on a daily basis about those adversely affected by the aggression in the Gaza Strip. The central operations team handles these reports and takes necessary actions to dispatch support. The reports vary and include different types of cases; wounded persons, martyrs, missing persons, childbirth, chronic diseases, citizens trapped in dangerous crossfire zones requesting urgent evacuation, not to mention medication.





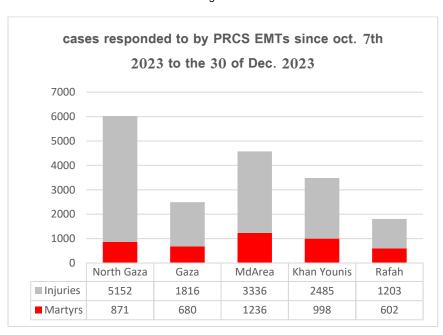
On Saturday, December 30, 2023, the Israeli occupation forces raided several governorates in the West Bank. The response of the Palestine Red Crescent Society to incidents is documented as follows:

- Nablus Governorate: PRCS's teams responded to 1 case of injury resulting from an assault that occurred during the
 occupation forces' raid on the village of Rujeeb.
- Ramallah Governorate: PRCS's teams responded to 1 case of injury due to an assault that took place during the occupation forces' incursion into the Al-Jalazoun refugee camp.
- Hebron Governorate: PRCS's teams responded to 1 case of injury resulting from an assault during the occupation forces' intrusion into the town of Al-Shyoukh.

PRCS Emergency Medical Services Response

Gaza Strip:

PRCS Emergency Medical Services Response Gaza Strip: PRCS EMTs responded to (14,458) wounded, and (4,658) martyrs since the beginning of the escalation, according to the last report issued by the Central Operations Room of Gaza on **December 30**, 2023, received at 24:00. The chart below exemplifies the statistics. According to latest official data issued by **the Palestinian Ministry of Health on December 29**, 2023, at 13:00, it reported over (21,672) martyrs, over (56,156) wounded including well **over** +9,000 children, well **over** +6,450 women, and well **over** +750 elderly, however these figures are preliminary due to the massive number of individuals still missing under rubble.



Cases handled by PRCS Hospitals I the Gaza Strip			
Al Quds Hospital as of Al Amal Total			
11/11/2023	Hospital		
1169	1178	2347	

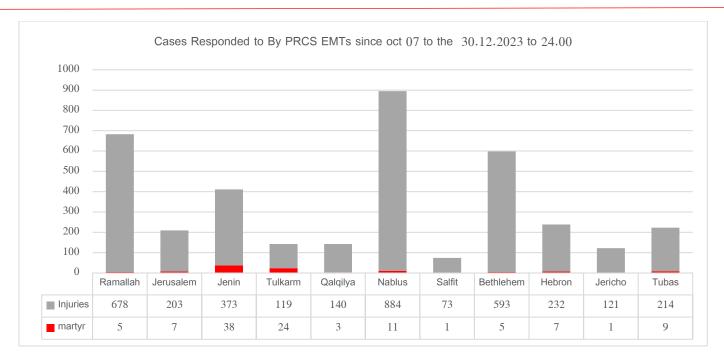
dwellings with partial	dwellings unfit for	
damage	human habitation	
+ 290,000	+65,000	

Emergency Medical Services Stations continue to operate at high capacity in response to ongoing events. As of today, there were 18 operational ambulances, including 2 for special tasks, staffed by 71 paramedics, drivers, first responders, administrators, and volunteers. The medical posts are actively receiving minor and moderate medical cases.

The West Bank and East Jerusalem:

The total number of cases responded to by PRCS teams from Oct 7th, 2023, until December 30, 2023, included (3630) wounded and (111) martyrs. The Palestinian Ministry of Health reported (303) martyrs and more than (3431+) wounded since 7th October, including (535) children, and (85) who were assaulted and wounded by the Israeli settlers' aggression as of October 7th, until December 20th, 2023.





Violations against PRCS teams:

The Palestine Red Crescent Society enjoys special protections yielded by international humanitarian law, particularly the Geneva Conventions, and operates within the framework of its humanitarian responsibilities governed by said legal documents. The following recorded violations against our teams, vehicles, and patients are documented in accordance with the First and Fourth Geneva Conventions, the Additional Protocol to the Geneva Conventions, and customary international law.

Gaza Strip:

Total Number	Violations Reported by 24:00 on December 30, 2023				
Total Number of violations	Martyrdom of paramedics	wounded paramedics	Buildings	PRCS vehicles put out of service	Severely damaged vehicles
45	4	28	12	15	19

West Bank and East Jerusalem:

137 incidents mounting to violations against PRCS documented and reported by 24:00				
on Dec 30, 2023				
Type of violation	Number			
Prohibiting access	63			
Restricting access	58			
Violations against EMT's documented and reported	73			
Violations against ambulance vehicles documented and reported	65			
Violations against Patients and wounded persons	63			
Violations against PRCS infrastructure, facilities, and premises	1			
Total	315			
Total number of martyrs as a direct result of	4			
prohibiting the access of medical teams				



Disaster Risk Management Response:

Gaza Strip:

The PRCS' relief teams continue their various efforts in responding to the displaced in all areas of the Gaza Strip, which are suffering from a major disaster due to the aggression on Gaza, in addition to the displacement centers in coordination with the relevant institutions.

- PRCS's Disaster Risk Management Department installed a submersible water pump at the Rafida School, which serves as a shelter in the city of Deir al-Balah in the central region.
- PRCS teams also installed light fixtures for a temporary gathering of displaced persons located on an agricultural land to the west of Deir al-Balah city in the central region.
- The total number of humanitarian aid trucks received by the PRCS from 21.10.2023until the 22.12.2023is (4,760) trucks, including 1,091 trucks during the 7 days humanitarian truce.
- The total share that PRCS distributed to the displacement centers, host families, residential communities, and relevant parties was 3,049 trucks, containing (medicine, medical supplies, beds and medical equipment, food and NFIs, water and milk, and hygiene items).
- 1,711trucks were distributed to UNRWA and other relevant parties .
- The number of trucks that entered the northern Gaza areas during the humanitarian truce period (310) trucks containing food, relief materials, drinking water, milk, and tents.
- The number of ambulances received by PRCS is 60, and they were distributed according to an approved mechanism in coordination with the relevant actors.
- The total amount of fuel delivered into Gaza Strip until the moment is 3,790,667 liters, while the amount of cooking gas amounted to 1298.48 tons.

West Bank and Jerusalem:

Since October 7, 2023, until December 28th, 2024 PRCS disaster response team in coordination with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), carried out assessment and response missions to each of the governorates as follows accordingly:

Area	Incident	Families	Family members	Relief items
Jericho:	Israeli settlers and occupation forces	14	79	Blankets, hygiene kits,
Bedouin community in	targeted the inhabited barracks, while			kitchen sets, jerrycans,
Alqalt	tampering with the properties			tarpaulin
Nablus:	Residential tents and properties were	20	134	Tents, mattresses, blankets,
Khrbet Tana	demolished and bulldozed by the			hygiene kits, kitchen sets,
	occupation forces			jerrycans
Hebron:	Israeli settlers and occupation forces	3	32	Tents, mattresses, blankets,
Um Qassa Al-Kharou'a/	targeted the inhabited barracks			hygiene kits, kitchen sets,
Masafer Yatta				jerrycans, tarpaulin
Jenin:	Mattreses were provided to detainees		150	Mattresses
Romana village	who were released by the occupation			
	forces, where they were sheltered in a			
	school in the village of Romana			
Nablus:	The Israeli occupation forces demolished	6	32	Tents, mattresses, blankets,
Khirbet Al taweel	residential tents and barracks			kitchen sets, hygiene kits,
				kerosene stoves, jerrycan
Nablus:	The Israeli occupation forces demolished	6	35	Tents, dignity kits, kitchen
Froush Beit Dajan	residential tents and barracks			utensils, hygiene kits,
				kerosene stove, pillows,
				jerrycan



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Hebron: Al Nawaj'aa/	The Israeli occupation forces demolished	1	7	Tents, mattresses, blankets,
Masafer Yatta	residential tents and barracks			hygiene kits, kitchen sets
Tulkarem, Nur Shams	Israeli occupation forces demolished	12	80	mattresses, blankets, hygiene
refugee camp	some of the residential houses, while			kits, kitchen sets, heaters
	vandalizing the properties			

Displacement and Evacuation of Civilians in the Gaza Strip:

PRCS premises	Khan Younis & Al-Amal hospital	UNRWA Centers	Official statistics
# of IDPs	13,000+	1.2M+	1.8M+

Community work department, MHPSS, and the Youth & Volunteers interventions:

District	CACs	MHPSS		Volunteers
Gaza Strip	91,772	(31,923) paramedics and volunteers		163
West Bank		(5,179) Gazan workers who were deported by the IOF	(2,207,882) online views	

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